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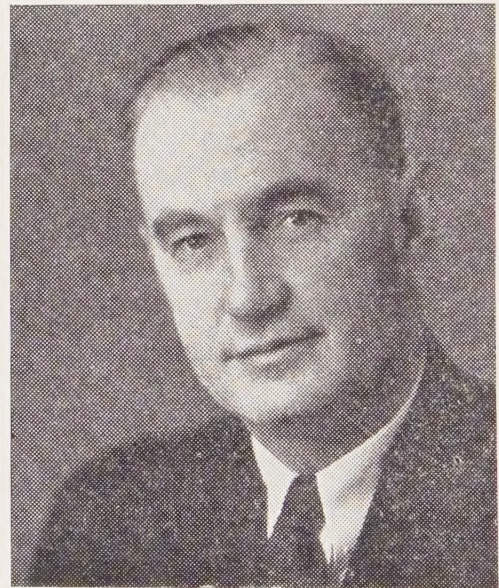
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1929	Medford .....	Astoria .....	35 to 14
1930	Astoria .....	Salem .....	32 to 17
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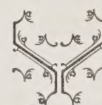
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## SALEM HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 10



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Proceeded by a reputation of always being a great tournament team, Coach Holly Huntington's Vikings apparently are in for a rough time this year. Salem played "in and out" basketball all season, working their set plays like champions in one game and like "chumps" in the next. Altogether, 13 games were won and ten lost. Fast breaking plays and fast passes, with forwards Otto Skopil and Phil Salstrom supplying the scoring punch, accounted for 761 points. Although the squad is capable of using either a man-for-man or zone defense, records show that 673 points were scored against the Vikings this year. Bill Wagner, center; Bruce Williams, guard; and Glen Luther, guard, round out Huntington's usual starting combination.



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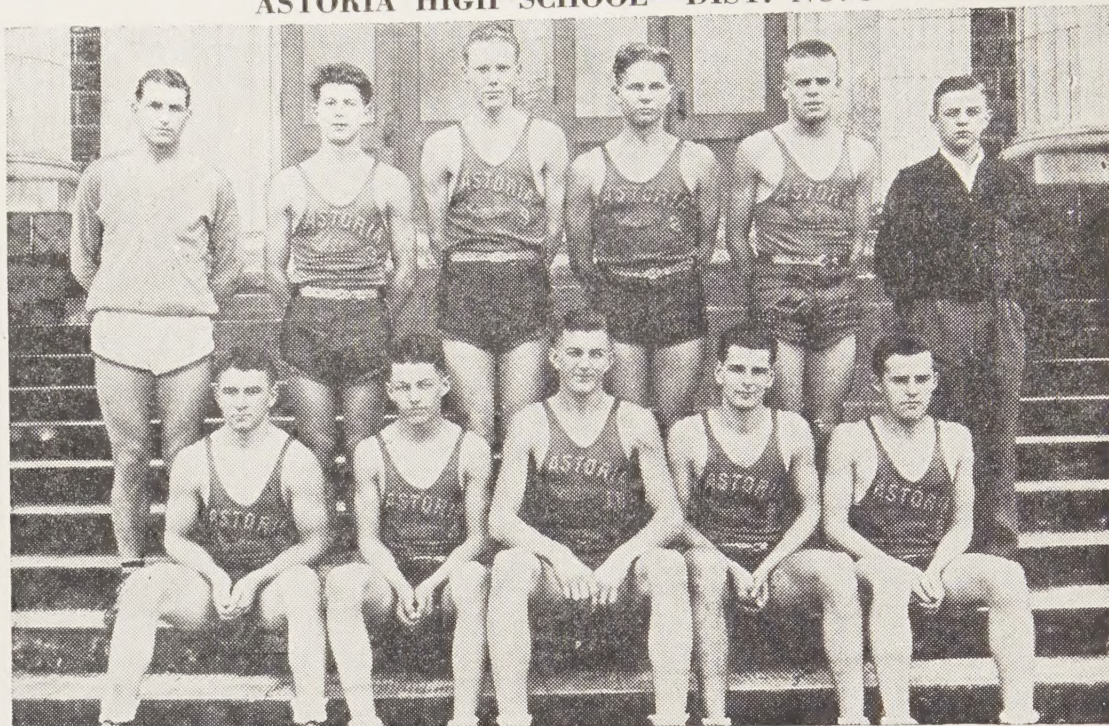
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Astoria's defending state champions barely won their way into the tourney this year, but the Fishermen are always great tourney teams, probably because they play wide-open basketball, stressing offense more than defense. The squad, which includes all-state forward Ted Sarpola and Henry Kokko from last year's titlists, boasts five men over six feet tall, and is made up of four seniors and four juniors. The Fishermen use a fast-breaking attack and a man-for-man defense. This season, its first under Coach George Emigh, Astoria scored 25 victories against 11 defeats. Other regulars, in addition to the flashy Sarpola and the lanky center Kokko, are a chunky, high-scoring forward, Plippo, and two defensively strong guards, Koven and Parker.

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## MYRTLE CREEK HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 14



*Front row:* Whetzel, Richardson, Dyer, Elliot, Starbuck. *Back row:* Copeland, Marcum, Breedlove, Coach Ireland, Rhodes, Heath, Baldwin.

Tommy Ireland's Myrtle Creek quintet won the right to compete at Salem by winning the Douglas county "B" league and the district tourney at Ashland over 29 other contestants. All told, Myrtle Creek won 25 games and lost three this season. Good ball-handling and successful blocking, used with a slow-breaking offense and a man-for-man defense, describes the team's floor play. The starting quintet is composed entirely of seniors, all with at least two year's experience. Rhodes, center, and Marcum, forward, were district all-stars. Other starters are Copeland, now recovered from an illness that handicapped his play all season; Heath, guard, and Dyer, forward. Copeland is rated as the best ball-handler on the squad.

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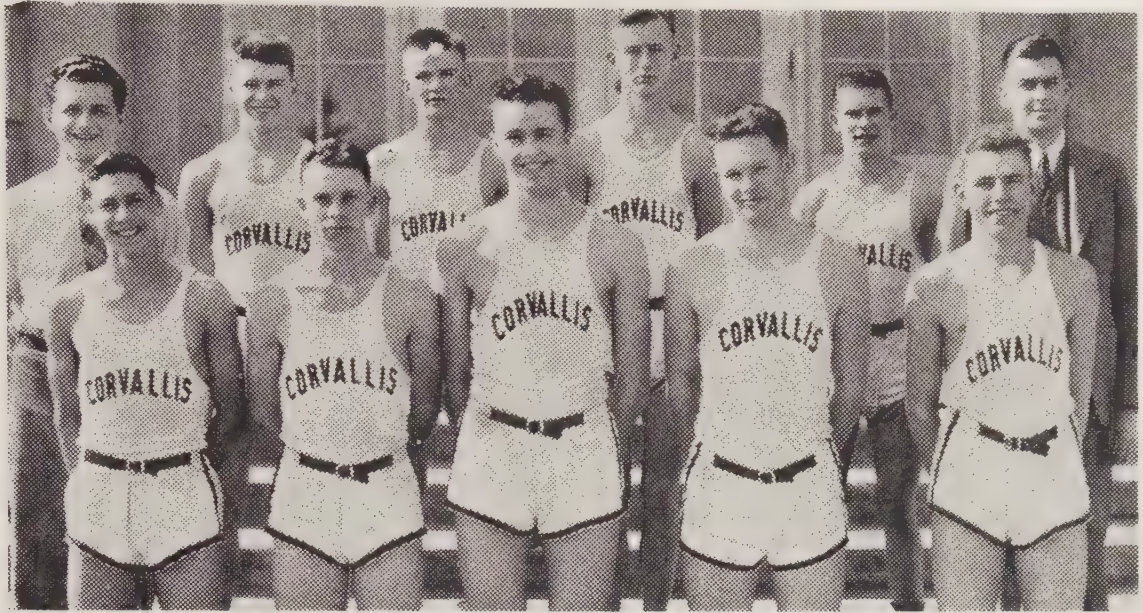
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## CORVALLIS HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 7



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From Corvallis, "Mush" Torsen brings a well-trained squad of smart court performers, a team that has won 23 out of 26 games this season, and scored 912 points to 487 by opponents. The state college town's preppers play a fast-breaking, fast-passing offense, using screening to work a man free under the basket. The offense is not built around any one player, every member of the usual starting quintet having scored well over 100 points this year, but attempts to fast-break the opposition. The team uses either a man-for-man or zone defense. Regular starters Merle Kruger, guard and high scorer; Elmo Crockett, sophomore speed merchant; Bill Blackledge, big junior forward, and Roy Pflugrad and Stu Warren, seniors. Kruger, Pflugrad and Warren were members of the Spartan squad that competed in last year's state tourney.

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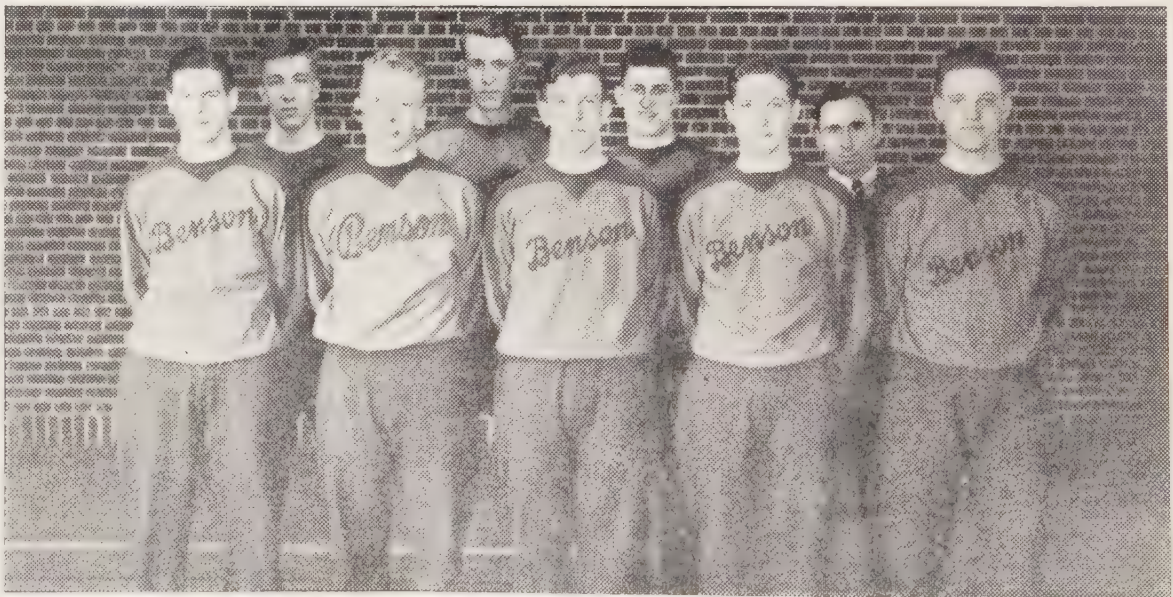
## LA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 1



Front row: Inseth Hansen, Schultz, Stitt. Back row: Marshall, Klein, Gehring, Parker, Coach Woodie.

La Grande high, coached by Ira Woodie, is another prep quintet that went through an "in and out" season, winning 15 games and losing 12. However, in the district tournament, the Eastern Oregon five hit its stride and marched through five straight games without being seriously pressed. One of the out-standing features, though somewhat a doubtful honor, is the fact that La Grande is probably the only team in this year's state tournament which was out-scored by its opponents this season, by a margin of 665 to 730 points. However, the rugged Eastern Oregonian's fast-breaking offense may prove much more troublesome to stop than its man-for-man defense is to pierce.

## BENSON HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 11



Front row: Dudgeon, Ponsler, McKown, Burns, Lohr. Back row: Gregg, Woldt, Marche, Coach Stivers.

Champions of the tough Portland Interscholastic league, no other team faces a more difficult opening game than Benson Tech, tussling with the two-year state champion Astoria Fishermen. The Techmen's only defeat outside the Rose City's prep league this year was administered by Astoria, but Skippy Stivers' squad, making the Salem trip for the fourth time in the last five years, hit their true stride at mid-season, and won nine of their last ten games. Although not a high scoring team, all-city forward Marche and Woldt, lanky center, enabled Benson to win consistently this season. Stivers' team uses fast-breaking plays, in which a semi-block is featured, and a man-for-man defense.



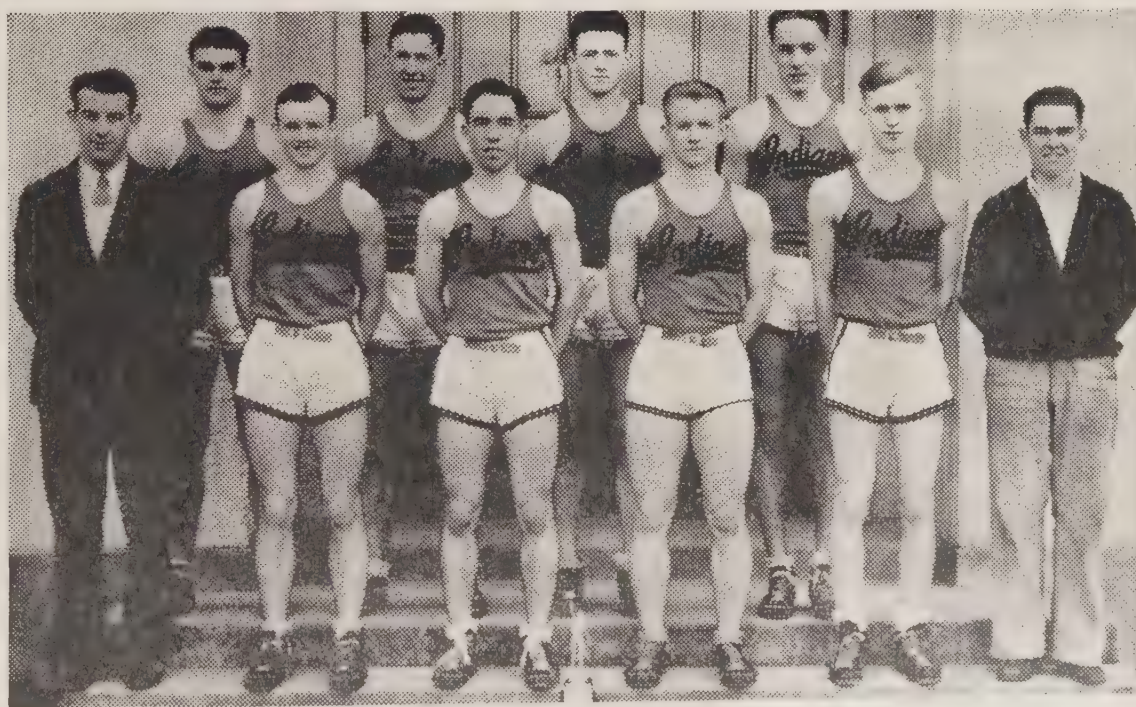
## OREGON CITY HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 4



Front row: Manager Fischer, Heiden, Freeman, Maulding, Coach Hudson. Back row: Lind, Sturdevent, Eberly, Mrok, Dickson.

Tough competition will be nothing new for the Pioneers of Oregon City in this year's tourney, for the team which claimed the district four title played 31 games this season, winning 21 of them. Coach C. E. Hudson's preppers, who apparently employ the fast-breaking offense successfully, are tall, rugged players, according to reports. In their 31 clashes the squad averaged almost exactly 30 points a game, winning their last six tilts in a row, including the three of the county tourney and the two in the district finals.

## ROSEBURG HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 8



Front row: Coach Warren, Collins, Baker, Scherner, Bannister, Manager Crouch. Back row: Fritts, Shinn, Short, Middelburg.

For the first time in the history of Roseburg high school its basketball team will compete in the annual state-prep championship tournament at Salem this week. The Indians were forced to come from behind twice in the district finals to win their tourney trip, and this same "never say die" spirit may offer Franklin high of Portland, whom Roseburg meets in the opening round of tilts, no end of trouble. Like most other prep quintets in the state, the Indians rely on a fast-breaking offensive and man-for-man defense to produce their basketball victories.



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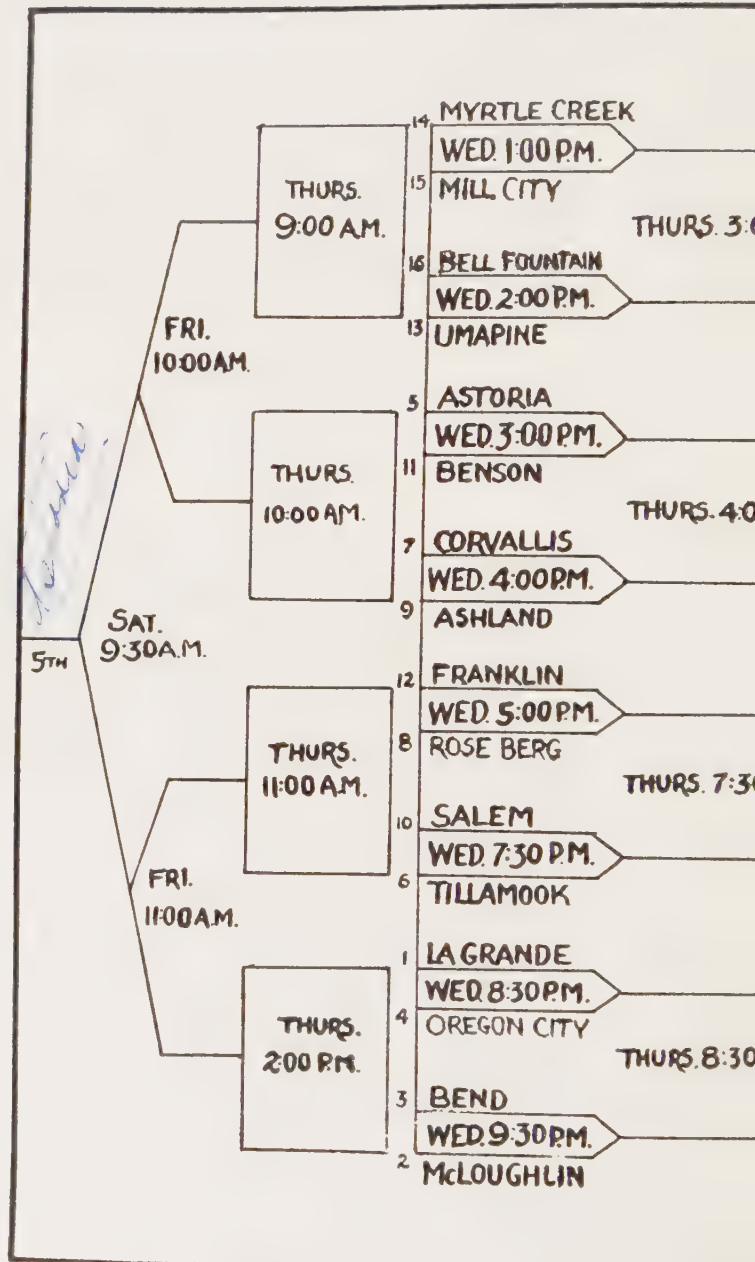
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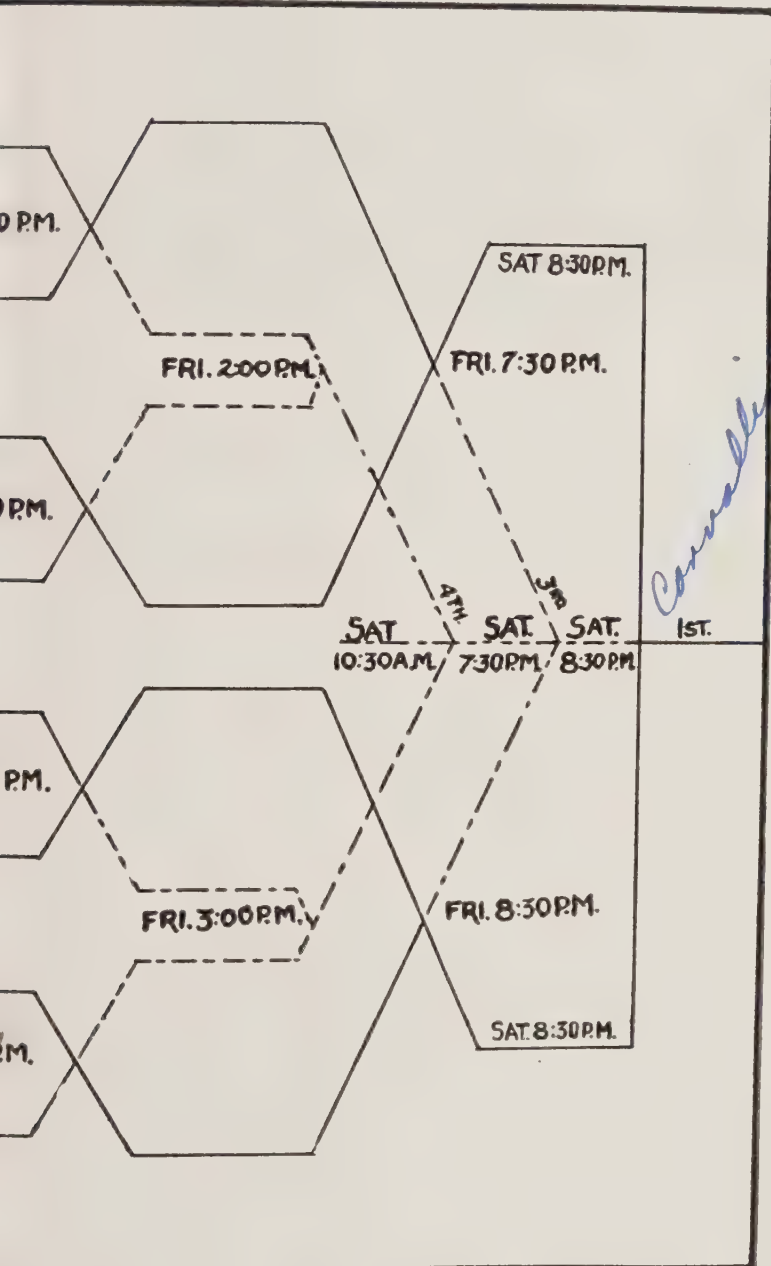


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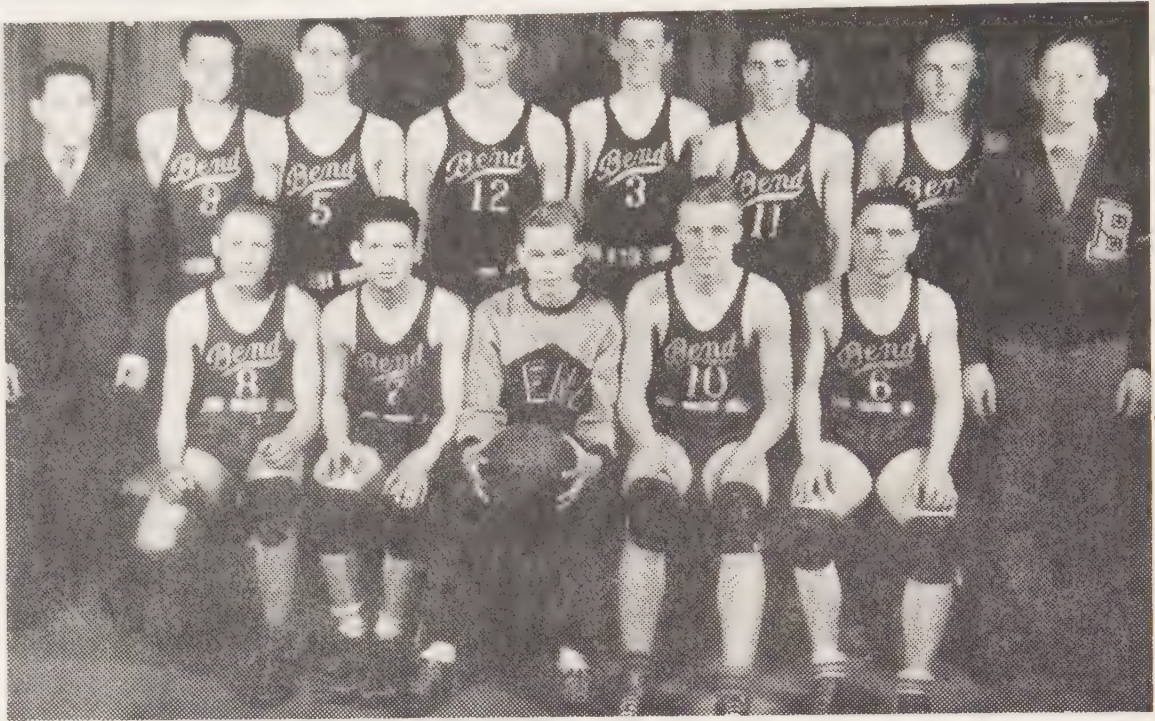
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## BEND HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 3



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For the first time since 1924 Bend high will be represented at the state high school tournament, and this year's Cochran-coached quintet gives promise of going far. Hard fighters are the 1936 Lava Bears, as shown by the fact that after dropping three straight games to Klamath Falls in the regular season, the Bears came back in the district tourney to win a two-out-of-three series with the same quintet, and the right to compete at Salem. Coach M. A. Cochran's preppers will be one of the few teams using an entirely set offense at the state tourney this year. Led by Nettleton, star forward, although now hampered by a leg injury, Bend won 18 games this year, scoring 753 points, despite the fact the team had only one letterman, Krog, a guard, to start the year. Hendershott, center and three-sport man, is the team's other out-standing player.

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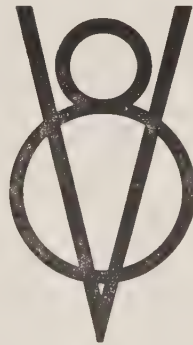
## McLOUGHLIN HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 2



Front row: Rinker, Ireland, Capt. Fisk, Sanderson. Back row: Cambridge and Roloff, managers, and Coach Eddie Buck.

The Pioneers of Mac-Hi, better known as McLaughlin high of Milton-Freewater, are definitely one of the tourney's strongest quintets. Coach Eddie Buck's preppers came through a difficult schedule with 20 victories in 25 tilts, and a scoring record of 764 points. Although the squad is comparatively small, three of the five regulars being under five feet, eight inches tall, Mac-Hi walloped both Pendleton and Hood River in district tournaments. Captain "Jiggs" Fisk and J. T. Monahan are the Pioneers' leading scorers in a fast-breaking offensive system that works in set plays effectively. Defensive ace in the man-for-man system is Jerry Rinker, according to reports from the eastern district.

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## MILL CITY HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 15



*Front row:* Coach Smith, Wachter, Wood, Flook, Catherwood. *Back row:* Serm, Harris, Brown, Herron.

Undoubtedly one of the finest games the tournament could produce this year would be a clash between Bellfountain and the Mill City Ghosts, two of the state's four class B teams. The two little high schools, whose crack-shooting players handle a basketball as though they were born with it in their hands, are certain to give plenty of big prep fives a headache before they are eliminated. Like Bellfountain, Mill City uses a fast-breaking offense, with plays that carry the ball in for a good shot without once losing possession. Although small, the Ghosts are said to be capable of holding the biggest, fastest and roughest teams well in check with their man-for-man defense. Seim, forward, is high scorer and out-standing player on the Mill City team.

## UMAPINE HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 13



*Left to right:* Groth, Hoskins, E. Givens, Rand, I. Givens, Peterson, Krumbah, Leinbach and Coach Decker.

From deep in Eastern Oregon comes Donovan Decker's scrappy Umapine quintet, representing a "B" school that has an enrollment of 45 students and only 16 boys eligible for athletic competition. This season, Decker's combination of a delayed offense, with screen plays and a fast break, produced 19 victories, against only two defeats. Umapine uses a man-for-man defense, trading men against a screening team. Only two members of the quintet which played in the state tournament last year are on the team—Dean Groth, center, and Ronald Leinbach, guard. Both have won places on the all-district team for two years. Other starters are Jim Hoskins, guard, and Cecil Rand and Ivan Givens, forwards.



## FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 12



Front row: Rygg, B. Nunnenkamp, Hansen, Town, Meek. Back row: Coach Chappie King, Kemnitzer, V. Nunnenkamp, McKeown, Williams, Murch.

Watch out for "King's Kolossals" is the word that preceeds Portland's B entry, Franklin, to the tournament. A team of veteran performers, every one of them over six feet tall, is Chappie King's entry. Paced by Tommy Hansen, who scored 152 points in 14 league games to break the loop record, Franklin won 18 games and lost eight this season. Of the 827 points scored in all games, Hansen accounted for 243 and his running mate, Bob Williams, garnered 214. Teamed with Bob McKeown, one of the tallest centers in Portland prep history; Jack Kemnitzer, 200-pound guard, and Harold Murch, who may possibly be forced out of tournament competition by a recent sprained ankle, "King's Kolossals" are definitely a state title threat. Franklin plays a fast-breaking offense and the usual man-for-man defense, depending upon superior height under the baskets to keep control of the ball most of the time.

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## ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 9



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From Southern Oregon to this year's state tournament comes what is undoubtedly one of the state's strongest prep fives. Ashland, in the past two years, under Coach Don Faber, has won 46 out of 51 games played, 21 of the victories and three of the defeats coming this season. Like most other prep quintets, Ashland's Grizzlies use a fast-breaking offense and a man-for-man defense, although the squad is also capable of using a zone defense. Well versed in the fundamentals of dribbling, passing, shooting, and the all-important team play, Ashland is hailed as one of the smoothest clicking high school teams in the south.

## BELLFOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 16



Front row: Manager Stahl, Cole, King, Likens, Key. Back row: Coach Litchfield, S. Buckingham Wallace, F. Buckingham Kessler, Larkin.

The "Giant Killers" of Bellfountain, probably the state's most highly publicized class B team this season, will hear watching at this year's title play-offs in Salem. From the little place "somewhere in Benton county" came a team coached by Ken Litchfield, ex-Willamette university hoop star, which knocked over the state's best prep outfits one after another. Starting out with the Willamette Freshmen, Bellfountain breezed over the tough Corvallis high peppers and twice over University High of Eugene to gain state-wide recognition. The tough little B school, whose team works the ball in for good shots without once letting go of it, probably better than most class A quintets, proved its right to compete at Salem last week by coming through an eight-team district tourney in fine style.



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25	Crescent City	14
23	McMinnville	22
25	Tillamook	30
23	Klamath Falls	15
17	Salem	30
23	Salem	16
27	Grants Pass	10
29	Grants Pass	13
22	Medford	15
21	Medford	13
22	University High	20
29	University High	19
29	Klamath Falls	14
25	Klamath Falls	15
16	Grants Pass	22
24	Medford	14
28	Grants Pass	8
22	Medford	20
524	Totals	369

## ASTORIA

(District 5)

52	Ilwaco	20
47	Knappa-Svenson	7
46	Wheeler	19
57	Westport	19
24	Jefferson	36
18	Benson	23
28	Lincoln	23
34	Lincoln	26
39	Raymond	31
27	Benson	13
21	Wheeler	34
29	Jefferson	26
24	Westport	13
61	Chemawa	17
44	Raymond	25
41	Clatskanie	16
57	Seaside	25
40	St. Helens	31
29	Longview	27
26	U. of O. Frosh	38
20	Longview	22
21	Corvallis	31
40	Salem	35
53	Knappa-Svenson	27
40	Seaside	16
29	Tillamook	36
24	Corvallis	33
41	Clatskanie	28
34	Tillamook	30
26	Salem	33
30	St. Helens	35
53	Seaside	14
54	Clatskanie	24
38	St. Helens	28
38	Rainier	18
33	St. Helens	30
1318	Totals	1007

## McLOUGHLIN HIGH

(District 2)

36	St. Patricks	11
37	Waitsburg	20
24	Hood River	23
26	Alumni	19
36	Raders Aces	24
36	Clarkston	27
30	La Grande	25
30	Helix	11
20	Umapine	28
12	Wa-Hi	33
19	Pendleton	18
42	Heppner	19
16	Hood River	36
11	The Dalles	29
46	Waitsburg	13
49	St. Patricks	10
48	La Grande	30
23	Wa-Hi	38
48	Weston	10
28	The Dalles	24
22	Umapine	16
21	Pendleton	20
34	Pendleton	22
26	Hood River	25
44	Hood River	29
764	Totals	560

## BEND

District 3

24	LaPine	11
23	Prineville	21
17	Burns	36
23	Burns	16
20	The Dalles	19
19	The Dalles	23
29	Klamath Falls	32
35	Chiloquin	16
30	Prineville	16
35	Redmond	24
33	Madras	18
26	Redmond	27
38	Sisters	31
31	LaPine	14
22	Klamath Falls	28
21	Klamath Falls	23
26	Redmond	21
42	Sisters	25
37	Prineville	17
48	Madras	15
32	The Dalles	23
21	The Dalles	25
36	Oregon City	26
23	Oregon City	24
25	Klamath Falls	17
19	Klamath Falls	29
18	Klamath Falls	11
753	Totals	588

## CORVALLIS

(District 7)

19	Bellfountain	25
41	McMinnville	35
22	Oregon State Rooks	16
46	University High	19
26	Albany	22
22	Tillamook	23
42	McMinnville	30
30	Springfield	17
24	Salem	13
46	Cottage Grove	22
33	Eugene	18
50	Lebanon	7
47	Toledo	13
24	Salem	26
31	St. Marys	11
31	Astoria	21
42	University High	16
33	Tillamook	26
33	Astoria	24
22	Bellfountain	16
37	Cottage Grove	14
37	Albany	14
49	Springfield	5
31	Eugene	21
52	Lebanon	12
37	St. Marys	21
913	Totals	487

## LA GRANDE

(District 1)

23	Haines	14
24	Union	19
19	North Powder	37
18	Wallowa	15
25	Baker	31
11	Walla Walla	63
24	Elgin	17
29	Haines	24
25	Mac-Hi	30
11	Baker	16
28	Walla Walla	47
19	Baker	32
31	Elgin	25
22	Pendleton	24
20	Enterprise	23
14	O.S.C. Rooks	31
31	Baker	28
30	Mac-Hi	48
25	The Dalles	26
26	Union	23
27	Pendleton	45
36	Athens	15
42	Union	34
20	Ontario	19
22	Vale	20
28	Baker	15
33	Nyssa	19
25		
665	Totals	730

## BELLFOUNTAIN

(District 16)

44	Corvallis Shoemakers	19
64	Harrisburg	7
27	Willamette Frosh	24
54	Harrisburg	18
25	Corvallis High	19
35	University High	24
44	University High	14
47	Alsea	20
31	Lobster	8
39	Philomath	11
28	Monroe	19
31	Lobster	20
23	Falls City	18
28	Philomath	12
42	Monroe	28
16	Corvallis High	22
19	Falls City	36
29	Philomath	22
50	Lobster	23
25	Pleasant Hill	17
39	Newport	21
740	Totals	402

## OREGON CITY

(District 4)

12	Molalla	11
43	Hillsboro	14
12	Commerce	22
39	Canby	20
43	Hillsboro	29
44	Forest Grove	16
17	Molalla	24
25	Commerce	32
30	Forest Grove	16
26	Tillamook	27
44	Hill Military	17
32	St. Stephens	21
23	West Linn	32
25	Chemawa	24
43	Sandy	20
43	Chemawa	22
27	Columbia Preps	16
42	Estacada	30
24	Tillamook	50
20	West Linn	21
29	Gresham	37
14	Millwaukie	18
39	Parkrose	35
47	Corbett	29
26	Bend	36
24	Bend	23
26	Millwaukie	22
43	Sandy	32
46	Estacada	22
35	Columbia Preps	22
19	Gresham	13
952	Totals	753

## FRANKLIN

(District 12)

27	Kelso	27
18	Longview	18
31	Tillamook	31
35	Hood River	35
24	Longview	34
17	McMinnville	32
33	Hood River	23
41	Alumni	39
47	Alumni	29
26	U. of O. Frosh	36
22	O. S. C. Rooks	40
23	Benson	22
40	Grant	37
23	Jefferson	12
29	Commerce	25
38	Washington	23
22	Lincoln	24
49	Roosevelt	31
51	Grant	27
27	Benson	31
25	Commerce	24
30	Jefferson	21
40	Washington	22
32	Lincoln	28
48	Roosevelt	13
21	Benson	23
827	Totals	703

## BENSON TECH

(District 11)

26	Milwaukie	13
23	Astoria	18
28	Milwaukie	14
13	Astoria	27
23	McMinnville	18
30	Willamette Frosh	23
22	Franklin	23
33	Roosevelt	17
29	Washington	27
28	Grant	23
27	Jefferson	32
25	Commerce	18
26	Lincoln	12
38	Roosevelt	20
31	Franklin	27
32	Grant	20
37	Washington	33
21	Jefferson	15
24	Commerce	16
21	Lincoln	28
23	Franklin	21
590	Totals	445

## MYRTLE CREEK

(District 14)

18	Drain	14
34	Days Creek	12
48	Canyonville	8
30	Oakland	9
32	Glendale	21
38	Riddle	46
38	Grants Pass	23
28	Chemawa	25
27	Chemawa	25
47	Drain	22
28	Grants Pass	21
29	Oakland	17
45	Sutherlin	18
36	Eugene	52
42	Canyonville	8
30	Glendale	32
30	Riddle	21
29	Days Creek	10
34	Riddle	25
34	Drain	27
36	Riddle	25
38	Gardiner	34
30	Silver Lake	16
24	Glendale	16
20	Port Orford	16
23	Powers	18
18	Malin	12
886	Totals	583

## SALEM

(District 10)

20	Alumni	31
49	Mill City	15
18	Medford	22
30	Ashland	17
16	Ashland	23
40	Chemawa	23
21	O.S.C. Rooks	36
35	Tillamook	34
26	Oregon Frosh	43
59	Airlie	12
13	Corvallis	24
37	McMinnville	29
37	Tillamook	26
40	Corvallis	24
26	Astoria	40
35	Eugene	27
42	Hood River	26
31	O.S.C. Rooks	40
35	McMinnville	46
33	Astoria	26
17	Oregon Frosh	37
34	Woodburn	23
44	Eugene	23
24	Willamette Frosh	26
761	Totals	673



## TILLAMOOK HIGH SCHOOL—DIST. NO. 6



Front row: Effenberger, Walker, Page, Albert Hanenkratt, Stoneburg, Moore, Long, Alfred Hanenkratt, Smith, Hediger.

Apparently out to rival Astoria's brilliant state tournament record, Coach Russell Rarey's Cheesemakers of Tillamook high represent district six this year for the seventh time in the last ten years. The coast quintet won 23 games, the final, over McMinnville, 29 to 28, giving them the district title and the right to compete in the state title competition. Tillamook, a smart-passing quintet that makes its plays work perfectly, has played some of the state's out-standing ball clubs this year, and their season record gives definite proof of their ability. Moore, slim forward, and Page, a sophomore center, are among the squad's highest scorers. Moore, along with Walker, Stoneburg, Hediger and Long, makes up the regular starting combination.

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# History of the Tournament

By PAUL G. STURGES

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Sixteen of the state's outstanding high school basketball teams are gathered here this week for the 17th annual championship competition; for a tournament that annually marks the official end of another season of the maple court sport.

From the north, the east, the south and the west the preppers have come, ready to fight it out for the coveted state crown now worn by the Fishermen from Astoria high.

As usual, pre-tournament prognosticators have set up certain teams as "the ones to beat." This year the two Portland entries, Franklin and Benson, along with Salem, the host team; the defending titlist, Astoria, and Ashland, Tillamook and Corvallis are listed in that category.

However, many of these favorites were drawn against each other in the first round of games, definitely eliminating at least four contenders before the end of the first day's play. How much longer many others will stay in the running for the title, or what other quintets have a better chance to win the championship, only the tournament can decide.

The history of Oregon's state championship play-offs is brief, yet packed with stories of good sportsmanship, great players and great games. In this respect the 17th annual tournament should be no disappointment.

The state tournament was first inaugurated by Willamette's coach, R. L. Mathews, in 1917. At that time only the winners from the Willamette Valley sections and Southern Oregon were invited, however, and Roseburg high claimed the championship after a two-day play-off.

The years 1918 and 1919 saw the same type of tournaments played, and strong Salem high school quintets walked off with first place both years.

The following year brought the first official all-state championship play-off, and 12 teams were entered in the tourney. Once more Salem's team came through in the pinch to win the title.

Franklin high became the first Portland quintet ever to win a state title, by winning the 1921

competition, but that year almost proved disastrous to the state association's title tourney, for Portland teams withdrew at the end of the season from the big Oregon State conference, to form their own organization in the Rose City.

For three years, 1922, 1923 and 1924, Portland's high schools were not represented at the tournament, and in those years Ashland, University high of Eugene and Medford, respectively, were victorious in the final championship tilt.

Nineteen twenty-five was a banner year for the state tournament, for the Portland organization joined the state association, and its champion team, once more Franklin, was allowed to enter the title tournament.

For four more years the tournament officials were satisfied to continue the final play-offs between the state's ten best quintets. But in 1930, answering to ever-increasing demands of smaller high schools that they be given a fair chance at the state title, state high school association officials divided the state into districts, making it possible for 12 teams to compete in the 1930 tournament, which was won by Astoria for the first time in that school's history.

The arrangement was still not satisfactory, however, and in 1932 the state districting system was completely revised. That year 16 prep quintets fought it out for the title. Except for minor modifications and changes, the districts are the same for this year's tournament as they were in 1932.

The sixteen districts of the state are divided into 12 "A" and 4 "B" groups. Smaller schools compete in the latter divisions for a chance to enter the state tournament. In almost every case, each district's representative is decided by sub-district and then district tournaments.

Exceptions to this rule are the Portland entries, who are the first and second ranking teams of the city; Salem high, annually host to the other schools, and this year, Corvallis, which claimed the tourney entry by taking a clear-cut championship in its district conference throughout the regular season.



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# Tournament Talk

The "daddy" of all state tournament teams is Astoria high. The fighting Fishermen, state champions of 1934 and 1935, have competed in 14 of the 16 play-offs held so far, and have not missed a tournament in the last 11 years. Only one other school, Salem high, the host, has a better record.

Closest championship games in the history of the tourney were the first ever held, in 1920, when Salem nosed out Lincoln high of Portland, 12 to 11, and in 1923, when University high of Eugene beat out Astoria in the title final, 28 to 25.

Lincoln high of Portland holds the honor of having rung up the two highest scores in one tournament. In 1920 the Railsplitter team that was nosed out in the title final trounced Rainier, 52 to 16, and the next day drubbed Albany, 50 to 11.

It will be "homecoming" for little Chappie King, coach of Portland's B entry, Franklin high. The fiery hoop mentor will return to the Willmette gym in an official capacity this year for the second time since he won all state honors in 1921. His 1934 Quakers, Portland A entry, finished in third place.

Two of the greatest basketball players in northwest hoop history have performed for tournament fans. Ed Lewis, who won All-American honors as center at Oregon State, was all-state pivot man for Washington high of Portland in 1928 and 1929. Wally Palmberg, who set a new northwest conference scoring record at Oregon State, won all-state honors as a member of Astoria's 1931 and 1932 teams.

Bill Morgan, the big All-American University of Oregon football tackle, and now a professional grid star, was Medford's all-state guard in 1928 and 1929.

Only two players in tournament history, Jean Eberhart of Eugene high and Glen Sanford of Salem, have ever won three all-state berths. Sanford is the only player to place on an all-state team three years in succession, winning the honor in 1930, 1931 and 1932. Eberhart, now coach at Southern Oregon Normal, made the all-star selections in 1924, 1926 and 1927.

Others who have been here more than three times include Tillamook 7, Pendleton and La Grande 6, McMinnville and Baker 5, Klamath Falls, and Lincoln and Benson, both of Portland, 4.

Eugene high rates next to Astoria as the team which has come the most times to a state tournament, having made the Salem trip ten of the 16 years. Medford and The Dalles have been seen in action in nine different years, and Ashland and Marshfield on eight occasions.

The 1936 tournament marks the first time since 1924, a span of 12 years, that Bend high school has been represented in the championship play-offs. For Myrtle Creek, coached by Tom Ireland, the ex-Oregon Stater, it is the initial title chance.

Washington high's all-state forward in 1928, Dolph, at the end of his college career, became one of the northwest's outstanding golfers, and still holds that distinction.

In addition to Eberhart, three other former all-state players seen at the tournament, are coaching college teams today. They are Amory Gill, Salem, at Oregon State; his brother, Eugene Gill, also a Salem man of 1920, at the University of Hawaii; and Howard Hobson, all-state Franklin forward in 1921, at the University of Oregon.

Gordon Ridings, University high of Eugene, 1923, is mentor at an eastern normal school, while Scott Milligan, Eugene 1924, directs hoopers at the Lower Columbia Junior college at Longview, Washington.

Four other ex-all-state men have high school coaching jobs at present. They are Dave Wright, Lincoln forward of 1920, now mentor at his alma mater; Fred Kramer, Pendleton, 1922, at Eugene high school; Hump Agee, McMinnville all-star of 1924, at North Powder high, and "Skeet" O'Connell, Commerce, 1930, and later an Oregon State college court star, at Woodburn.

Melvin, Medford forward, barely missed equalling the mark of three all-state places set by Sanford and Eberhart. Melvin was selected first-string all-state in '28 and '29 and second string in '27.

Ted Sarpola, Astoria forward, has won all-state honors in 1934 and 1935, and is competing in the tournament again this year.

Three brother combinations have scored all-state "doubles" victories. E. and A. Gill, of Salem, rated this singular honor in 1920, as did F. and W. Kramer of Pendleton, in 1922, and J. and R. Drager, of Salem, in 1926.



# All - State Teams

1st Team	1920	2nd Team	1st Team	1928	2nd Team
Wright, Lincoln	F	Bryant, Ashland	Dolph, Washington	F	James, Tillamook
Beck, Lincoln	F	Moore, Albany	Melvin, Medford	F	Duffey, Salem
E. Gill, Salem	C	Gharrity, La Grande	Lewis, Washington	C	Beechler, Salem
Cole, Lincoln	G	Mische, Lincoln	Knowlton, Tillamook	G	Kelly, Salem
A. Gill, Salem	G	Ashby, Salem	Morgan, Medford	G	McCartney, Washington
1921			1929		
King, Franklin	F	McGinnis, Marshfield	Larson, Astoria	F	Gibson, The Dalles
Hobson, Franklin	F	Staley, Salem	Melvin, Medford	F	Inman, Washington
Brosterhous, Bend	C	Gosser, Salem	Lewis, Washington	C	Thompson, Astoria
Ashby, Salem	G	Jones, Salem	Morgan, Medford	G	Olinger, McLoughlin
Ridings, McMinnville	G	F. Jones, Lincoln	Sarrett, Wallowa	G	Ward, The Dalles
1922			1930		
Guthrie, Ashland	F	Heer, Ashland	Kitchen, Salem	F	Reimer, Commerce
Westergren, Astoria	F	Carsin, Newberg	Scroggins, Commerce	F	Uglow, Dallas
Ramsey, Ashland	C	Lawrence, Pendleton	O'Connell, Commerce	C	Howell, Ashland
W. Kramer, Pendleton	G	F. Kramer, Pendleton	Sanford, Salem	G	Temple, Astoria
Luto, Astoria	G	Young, Ashland	Ystad, Astoria	G	Crawford, Baker
1923			1931		
Westergren, Astoria	F	Mann, The Dalles	McLean, Benson	F	Hill, Pendleton
Ridings, University	F	Kuminki, Astoria	Palmberg, Astoria	F	Reeder, Ashland
Bradley, University	C	Okerberg, Salem	Kidder, Pendleton	C	Howell, Ashland
Powers, University	G	Patterson, Salem	Terjeson, Pendleton	G	Brown, Jefferson
Williams, Medford	G	Anderson, Astoria	Sanford, Salem	C	McKim, Baker
1924			1932		
Chastain, Medford	F	Knipes, Medford	McLean, Benson	F	Palmberg, Astoria
Agee, McMinnville	F	Baker, Independence	Bergstrom, Astoria	F	Patterson, Benson
Eberhart, Eugene	C	Hummelt, La Grande	Burrell, Salem	C	Kibbe, Nehalem
Milligan, Eugene	G	Maloney, McMinnville	Sanford, Salem	G	Helser, Benson
Williams, Medford	G	Reichstein, Medford	Scheel, Medford	G	Makela, Astoria
1925			1933		
Ellis, Salem	F	Epps, Franklin	Kelley, Salem	F	Cannessa, Astoria
Scallon, Franklin	F	Emmons, Eugene	Scott, Silverton	F	Wintermute, Salem
J. Drager, Salem	C	Lawrence, Franklin	Wellington, Lincoln	C	Weichmann, Benson
Miller, McMinnville	G	Bally, Eugene	Kolberg, Lincoln	G	Eastman, Lincoln
Anderson, Astoria	G	Ashby, Salem	Jenkins, Athena	G	Northam, Eugene
1926			1934		
Potts, McLoughlin	F	Payne, Baker	Scott, Silverton	F	Cannessa, Astoria
Eberhart, Eugene	F	Duffey, Salem	Sarpola, Astoria	F	Dickinson, Franklin
J. Drager, Salem	C	Laing, Medford	Bothwell, The Dalles	C	Miller, Klamath Falls
Coleman, Eugene	G	Willams, Medford	Anet, Astoria	G	D. Wright, Eugene
R. Drager, Salem	G	Olinger, Salem	Miles, The Dalles	G	B. Dick, The Dalles
1927			1935		
Duffey, Salem	F	Melvin, Medford	Sarpola, Astoria	F	Sandoz, Corvallis
Horner, Eugene	F	Makinen, Astoria	Hergert, Jefferson	F	Mabee, McMinnville
Eberhart, Eugene	C	Laing, Medford	Gale, Oakridge	C	Hardy, Ashland
Anderson, Medford	G	Olinger, Salem	Fisher, Oakridge	G	Mercer, Jefferson
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